



**BIENNIAL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT  
NOVEMBER 10, 2015**

<b>Biennial Meeting</b>	The Biennial Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Middletown was held in the Auditorium of Woodrow Wilson Middle School, Wilderman's Way, in the City of Middletown on Tuesday, November 12, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.
<b>Present</b>	His Honor Daniel T. Drew; Council Members Thomas J. Serra, Mary A. Bartolotta, Hope P. Kasper, Robert P. Santangelo, Grady L. Faulkner, Carl R. Chisem, Gerald E. Daley, James B. Streeto, Sebastian N. Giuliano and Deborah A. Kleckowski; and Mayor-elect Daniel T. Drew; Council Members-Elect Eugene Nocera, Thomas J. Serra, Mary A. Bartolotta, Gerald E. Daley, Robert P. Santangelo, Carl Chisem, Robert Blanchard, Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Sebastian N. Giuliano, Philip Pessina, Deborah A. Kleckowski and Linda Salafia; Treasurer-Elect Quentin W. Phipps; Board of Education Members-Elect; Planning and Zoning Members-Elect Stephen H. Devoto, Jeremy Clark, and Robert Simpson; Planning and Zoning Alternate (none); Board of Assessment Appeals Members-Elect Salvatore Micciulla, Arista F. Partiss, and Jon Pulino; Police Chief William McKenna, Deputy Police Chief Michael Timbro, and Deputy Fire Chief Robert Kronenberger and Council Clerk Marie O. Norwood.
<b>Absent</b>	Council Members Sandra Russo Driska and David Bauer.
<b>Also Present</b>	The Honorable Lieutenant Governor Nancy Wyman; Rabbi Seth Haaz and Reverend Moses Harvill, Bishop W. Vance Cotten, Sr. and 180 members of the public, including State Representatives.
<b>Presentation of the Flag</b>	<p>The presentation of colors is made by the Police and Fire Honor Guard. Chief of Police William McKenna escorts Mayor-elect Daniel T. Drew and the Honorable Nancy Wyman, Lieutenant Governor and elected officials to their seats.</p> <p>The National Anthem is sung by Yvette Early; the Pledge of Allegiance is led by Monica Flores, President and Emily Meeker, Vice President of the Woodrow Wilson Middle School Student Council.</p>
<b>Invocation</b>	Rev. Moses Harvill delivers the invocation.
<b>Poet Laureate</b>	Susan Allison, First Poet Laureate of Middletown, reads her poem for the occasion entitled "Here we are Now in a Moment Like this One." (Attached at end of minutes)
<b>Oath of Office Administered To Mayor-Elect, Daniel T. Drew</b>	<p>The Clerk asks the Chief of Police to escort the Mayor's family to Chief of Police to the stage. She introduces the Mayor-elect and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Connecticut, the Honorable Nancy Wyman who will deliver the oath of office. Ms Wyman thanks everyone around her for this honor to be part of this ceremony and congratulates the Mayor. She states this is her third time here. You have the toughest job of all.</p> <p>Lt Gov. Wyman administers the oath of office with Mayor. Drew responding I do. She offers congratulations. Mayor Drew thanks his wife Kate and family and that he would not be here without her support; he thanks the Lt. Governor for her service and friendship to Middletown. It is an honor to have you here tonight and appreciates what you do on behalf of the City and the State.</p>
<b>Meeting Opens</b>	Mayor Drew calls the meeting to order. He asks the Clerk to read the call. He declares the call a legal call and the meeting a legal meeting.
<b>Orison</b>	<p>Bishop W. Vance Cotton, Sr., gives the Orison.</p> <p>Mayor Drew thanks individually Yvette Early, Monica Flores, Emily Meeker. He recognizes Miss Middletown. He recognizes City employees, State Representatives, his office staff and aide, the Honorable Judge Joseph Marino,</p>

and Council Clerk. He thanks everyone for what they do.

Mayor Drew asks the Police Honor Guard to escort, individually, the Common Council Members-Elect to the rostrum and administers the Oath of Office to each member. He administers the following oath of office to

*EUGENE P. NOCERA  
THOMAS J. SERRA  
MARY A. BARTOLOTTA  
GERALD E. DALEY  
ROBERT P. SANTANGELO  
CARL R. CHISEM  
ROBERT BLANCHARD  
GRADY L. FAULKNER, JR.  
SEBASTIAN N. GIULIANO  
PHILIP J. PESSINA  
DEBORAH KLECKOWSKI  
LINDA SALAFIA*

**Oath of Office  
Administered to  
Council Members-Elect**

"You, \_\_\_\_\_, having been elected as a member of the Common Council of the City of Middletown for a term to November 12, 2019, do swear that you will faithfully discharge the duties of said office according to your best skill and judgment, so help you God."

Each member so swears.

The Mayor asks the Police Honor Guard to escort the Treasurer-Elect to the rostrum and administers the Oath of Office. He administers the following oath of office to Quentin W. Phipps

**Oath of Office  
Administered to  
Treasurer-Elect**

You, \_\_\_\_\_, having been elected as Treasurer of the City of Middletown, for a term to November 12, 2019, do swear that you will faithfully discharge the duties of said office according to your best skill and judgment, so help you God."

Mr. Phipps so swears.

Mayor Drew asks the Police Honor Guard to escort, individually, the Board of Education Members-Elect to the rostrum and administers the following Oath of Office to:

*ANITA S. DEMPSEY-WHITE  
CHRISTOPHER R. DRAKE  
MARILYN F. DUNKLEY  
CHERYL MC CLELLAN*

**Oath of Office  
Administered to  
Board of Education,  
Members-Elect**

You, \_\_\_\_\_, having been elected a Member of the Board of Education of the City of Middletown, for a term to November 12, 2019, do swear that you will faithfully discharge the duties of said office according to your best skill and judgment, so help you God."

Each member so swears.

The Mayor asks the Police Honor Guard to escort the Planning and Zoning Commission Members-Elect to the rostrum and administers the Oath of Office. He administers the following oath of office to:

*DANIEL P. RUSSO  
RICHARD PELLETIER  
JOYCE ROSSITER  
MOLLY SALAFIA*

**Oath of Office  
Administered to  
Planning and Zoning  
Commission  
Members-Elect**

"You, \_\_\_\_\_, having been elected a Member of the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Middletown, for a term to November 12, 2019, do swear that you will faithfully discharge the duties of said office according to

your best skill and judgment, so help you God."

Each member so swears.

The Mayor asks the Police Honor Guard to escort the Planning and Zoning Commission Alternate Member-Elect to the rostrum and administers the Oath of Office. He administers the following oath of office to:

*THOM PATTAVINA  
ELIZABETH R. EMERY*

**Oath of Office  
Administered to  
Planning and Zoning  
Commission Alternate  
Members-Elect**

"You, \_\_\_\_\_, having been elected as an Alternate Member of the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Middletown, for a term to November 12, 2019, do swear that you will faithfully discharge the duties of said office according to your best skill and judgment, so help you God."

Each member so swears.

The Mayor asks the Police Honor Guard to escort the Board of Assessment Appeals Members-Elect to the rostrum and administers the Oath of Office. He administers the following oath of office to:

*KATHY ADAMS  
ARISTIA PARTISS  
RYAN KENNEDY*

**Administered to  
Board of Assessment  
Appeals  
Members-Elect**

"You, \_\_\_\_\_, having been elected a Member of the Board of Assessment Appeals of the City of Middletown, for a term to November 12, 2019, do swear that you will faithfully discharge the duties of said office according to your best skill and judgment, so help you God."

Each member so swears.

Mayor Drew delivers the following address:

**Benediction and Closing**

The Mayor asks Rabbi Seth Haaz to come forward for the closing benediction.

**Meeting Adjourned**

Mayor Drew states he will entertain a motion to adjourn. Councilman Serra moves for adjournment and is seconded by Councilwoman Bartolotta. The vote is unanimous to adjourn. The Mayor declares the meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m. He asks the public to join them for refreshments in the cafeteria.

ATTEST:

MARIE O. NORWOOD  
COMMON COUNCIL CLERK